

<b>REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL</b>	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 60%;">Application Number</td> <td>09/787,394</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Filing Date</td> <td>May 16, 2001</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Examiner Name</td> <td>S. J. SHARAREH</td> </tr> <tr> <td>First Named Inventor</td> <td>MIWA et al.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Group Art Unit</td> <td>1617</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Attorney Docket Number</td> <td>SCH-1799</td> </tr> </table>	Application Number	09/787,394	Filing Date	May 16, 2001	Examiner Name	S. J. SHARAREH	First Named Inventor	MIWA et al.	Group Art Unit	1617	Attorney Docket Number	SCH-1799
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<b>Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).</b>													

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**NOTE:** 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

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a.	<input type="checkbox"/> Previously submitted <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. <input type="checkbox"/> Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on ____ (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).</li> <li>ii. <input type="checkbox"/> Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on ____</li> <li>iii. <input type="checkbox"/> Other ____</li> </ul>
b.	<input type="checkbox"/> Enclosed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendment/Reply</li> <li>ii. <input type="checkbox"/> Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)</li> <li>iii. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)</li> <li>iv. <input type="checkbox"/> Other ____</li> </ul>
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